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Attached for filing is the patent application of:

Inventor: KUBO et al.

Entitled: LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY DEVICE AND DEFECT REPAIRING METHOD FOR THE SAME

and including attachments as noted below:

☐ Newly executed Declaration, ☒ Copy of Declaration from prior application, ☒ Abstract

Please **delete** the following inventors in the continuation/division/continuation-in-part application:

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☐ 92 pages of specification and claims (including 11 numbered claims), and

☐ 22 sheets of accompanying drawing/s.

☐ Record the attached assignment to _____ and return to the undersigned.

☐ Attached is a Power of Attorney.

☒ Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on the following foreign applications:

Application Number	Country	Day/Month/Year Filed
2000-244648	Japan	11/August/2000
2001-164676	Japan	31/May/2001

, respectively, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application..

☐ Certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s) is/are attached.

☒ Certified copy(ies) filed on August 29, 2001 in prior appln. no. 09/919,839 filed August 2, 2001

☐ This application claims the benefit of Provisional Application No. _____, filed _____, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.

☒ This application is a ☐ continuation/☒ division/☐ continuation-in-part of Application No. 09/919,839, filed August 2, 2001, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.

☐ Petition filed in prior application to extend its life to insure co-pendency.

☒ The prior application is assigned to Sharp Kabushiki Kaisha, Osaka, Japan.

☒ It is hereby requested that the Examiner consider the art cited in the parent application by applicant and/or the Examiner for the reasons stated therein.

☐ Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ "Small entity" statement attached.

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☒ Also attached: ☒ Information Disclosure Statement; ☐ Other:

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Basic Filing Fee		\$	770.00
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Independent claims	1 - 3 (at least 3) = 0	x \$ 86.00	\$ 0.00
If any proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$290.00 (ignore improper)			\$ 0.00
		SUBTOTAL	\$ 770.00
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